

REMARKS

Claims 1-28 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1-6 are amended and claims 7-28 are added. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

I. Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner is thanked for the indication that claims 1-6 contain allowable subject matter. Applicants respectfully submit that for at least the reasons set forth below, all pending claims are in condition for allowance.

II. The Drawings

In a Request for Approval of Drawing Amendments filed herewith, Applicants propose to amend Figure 2 to correct a reference number. Approval of the drawing changes is respectfully requested.

III. Claim Rejection 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph

The Office Action rejects claims 1, 4 and 5 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. Claims 1, 4 and 5 have been amended to more clearly claim the subject matter which the Applicants regard as their invention. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claims 1, 4 and 5 be withdrawn.

IV. New Claims 7-28

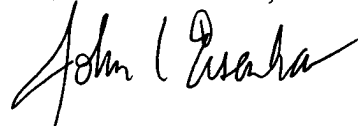
By this Amendment, claims 7-28 are added to the application. New claims 7-28 have been drafted in view of the cited references, and should be in condition for allowance. Prompt examination and allowance in due course is respectfully requested.

V. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that any additional changes would place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney, **John C. Eisenhart**, at the telephone number listed below.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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